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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the patents and publications listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Each of the patents and printed publications was submitted in the co-pending predecessor application U.S. Serial No. 09/261,628, filed on March 3, 1999. Accordingly, copies of the same are not enclosed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (d).

REMARKS

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- (1) within three (3) months of the **filings date** of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), or within three (3) months of the **date of entry of the national stage** as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing of the **first Office action** on the merits, or before the mailing of a **first Office action** after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114; or
- (2) after the period defined in (1) but before the mailing date of a **final action** or a **notice of allowance** under 37 C.F.R. 1.311, and
 - the requisite Statement is below, OR
 - the requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p), namely \$180.00, is included herein, or

- (3) after the mailing date of a **final action or notice of allowance** but before the payment of the **issue fee**, AND
- the requisite Statement is below, AND
- the requisite petition fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p), namely **\$180.00** is included herein.

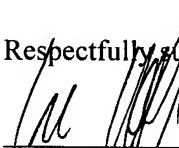
It is respectfully requested that each of the patents and publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, be made of record in this application.

STATEMENT

As required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e), Applicant(s), through the undersigned, hereby state either that [check the appropriate space only if either (2) or (3) is checked on the previous page and the Statement is required]:

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	CK	Stein, Seymour et al., <u>Modern Communication Principles with Application to Digital Signaling</u> title-copyright and 256-263 (McGraw Hill Book Co. 1967).
	CL	Van Trees, Harry L., <u>Detection, Estimation, and Modulation Theory, Part I: Detection, Estimation, and Linear Modulation Theory</u> title-copyright, 226-227, and 248-249 (John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 1968).
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